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policies or positions of any party. Your mileage may vary. So there.

Date: Sat, 31 Jul 1993 08:46:37 GMT
From: news.Hawaii.Edu!uhunix3.uhcc.Hawaii.Edu!jherman@ames.arpa
Subject: ARRL and *its* members
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In article <2404@indep1.UUCP> clifto@indep1.UUCP (Cliff Sharp) writes:
>I would, too. I've disagreed with most everything the ARRL has ever done

Cliff,

You say that you disagree with most everything the ARRL has ever done;
over what period of time does this cover? Since the conception of the
ARRL? Can you specifically state ALL the decisions the League made prior to
you getting licensed and after you received your license? And which of
those do you disagree with? Be specific now!

Care to seriously speculate if ham radio would even exist today if we hadn't have had a national organization that tried to represent the majority of amateurs for the last (guessing) 75 years?

73/72,
Jeff NH6IL (ex-WA6QIJ)

Jeffrey Herman, University of Hawaii Mathematics, jherman@hawaii.edu

Date: 30 Jul 93 19:50:45 EDT
From: psinntp!arrl.org@uunet.uu.net
Subject: Call sign snobbery
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In rec.radio.amateur.policy, kevin@TorreyPinesCA.ncr.com (Kevin Sanders) writes:

>In article <CAyD47.73H@fc.hp.com> perry@fc.hp.com (Perry Scott) writes:

>>

>>Now, the controversial .policy question: Could I use "cut" code for a
>>callsign? I don't recall the specific wording of Part 97 WRT coding.
>>e.g. "AATET" is unique because the A-series must begin with two letters
>>and is followed by a number.

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>This reminds me of something I heard from one of the Field Day old-timers
>this year. Don't know if it's true, but he said the best field day call he
>ever heard (in Morse) was

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> dah-dit dah-dit dah-dit dah-dit dah-didi-dah-dit dah-dit

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>Supposedly N9NN/9 :-)

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>I don't know if this would be unique anymore... are there any NN9 calls?

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>[] [] [][] [][] Kevin Sanders, KN6FQ NCR Torrey Pines

>[] [] [] [] [] kevin.sanders@torreypinesca.ncr.com (619) 597-3602

>[] [] [][] [][] kevin%beacons@cyber.net

>[] [] [] [] []

>[] [] [] [] [][] Dump MS-DOS. Prevent Programmer Burnout with Linux.

>

The Morse elements for 0 are dahdahdahdahdah. Use of any other elements during a CW ID would not be International Morse, hence not allowed. For example, you can rag chew in American Morse, but you must ID with International Morse.

73, KRIS

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jkearman@arrl.org

"I never shot a man who didn't need it." --Clayton Allison.

Date: Sat, 31 Jul 93 10:56:19 CDT

From: swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu

Subject: Code/NoCode

To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

kd1hz@anomaly.sbs.com (Rev. Michael P. Deignan) writes:

> ak842@cleveland.Freenet.Edu (Douglas Dever) writes:

>

> >In fact, if the

> >no-code license hadn't brought more people like me into the hobby,

> >how many bands do you think you'd have left.

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> Since most of the no-clue licensees hang out exclusively on 2 meters,

> clearly the no-clue license has done little to "save our bandwidth"

> by populating those bands we were "in danger of losing" with new, no-clue

> hams. Your insinuation that without the no-clue license we would have less

> bandwidth is false.

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> >It amazes me how many

> >hams believe that rag-chewing is the sole purpose of the amateur

> >community.

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> Some people like to rag-chew. Others like public service. Yet others

> like DX chasing. Some like contesting. To each his own.

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> >We have had ARES active

> >here in Cleveland the past two days, and the sad fact is that all but

> >two of the amateurs involved the past two days have been no-coders.

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> When you get right down to it, what has ARES done in your area that

> normal emergency services crews can't do better and more efficiently?

>

> In this area, ARES is a joke. The section Emergency Coordinator rarely

> shows up for the statewide ARES net. Nobody has a clue as to what is

> going on. The last ARES net had two net-controls on the same

> repeater (when I asked "why", I was told "so someone who can't hear

> our net-control-south might be able to hear our net-control-north".
> Duhhh... McFly! Get a clue. Its a damn *repeater*. It has a defined
> coverage area. Everyone will be able to hear n-c-south.)
>
> I am very good friends with several law enforcement officials, many
> involved with disaster relief. Their opinion of ham-radio emergency
> services is all the same: its a waste. In fact, many believe that
> hams actually create *more* work for them, because with a bunch of
> untrained, i-think-i'm-so-important buffoons running around a
> disaster site, all they do is at the minimum get in the way of real
> disaster crews doing their job, and at the maximum end up getting
> themselves hurt or killed.
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> And, I won't even *begin* to tell you the story about the no-clue
> who volunteered for the ARES position of Kent County DEC and now
> drives around in a circa-1974 Ford Pinto with, yes, you guessed
> it, a bar of flashing lights on the roof. Can you say "police
> authority wannabe?" Good, I knew you could. (Ever wonder what the
> local authorties think when he shows up? I'll tell you: They
> chuckle. He's the laughing stock.)
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> When it comes to emergency services, amateurs have this noble,
> conceited concept on how they are "so important" to the disaster
> relief effort of communities. I hate to break it to you, you're not.
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> MD

The ARES group you spoke of must be run by the same group as the one here
in Houston, becuae the incidents you cited parallel those which have
occurred in the recent past here. And some wonder why I refuse to return
to Two Meters. Guess no further!

--Robert

Date: Sun, 1 Aug 1993 12:29:48 GMT
From: swrinde!emory!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Code/NoCode
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In article <kg8J8B3w165w@amanda.jpunix.com> robert@amanda.jpunix.com (robert)
writes:

>kd1hz@anomaly.sbs.com (Rev. Michael P. Deignan) writes:

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>occurred in the recent past here. And some wonder why I refuse to return
>to Two Meters. Guess no further!

Sadly, this **appears** common with ARES types, including certain Extras
in this area. Class of license seems to have nothing to do with it. It's
just the cop wannabe coming out in certain people. There are many good
dedicated ARES members, but these clowns give everyone a bad name. We
have one here with **9** antennas on his 4X4, and an authority complex
almost too big for the truck to haul. BTW he's held an Extra dating from
1969 and operates mobile CW from the 4X4. Yet, he's as clueless as you
guys about what the amateur **service** is about.

Gary

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Gary Coffman KE4ZV          | You make it,      | gatech!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary
Destructive Testing Systems | we break it.     | uunet!rsiatl!ke4zv!gary
534 Shannon Way           | Guaranteed!      | emory!kd4nc!ke4zv!gary
Lawrenceville, GA 30244   |                   |
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Date: 31 Jul 93 22:42:32 GMT
From: pravda.sdsc.edu!news.cerf.net!usc!howland.reston.ans.net!gatech!psuvax1!
vogon1!wa3wbu!frackit!ka3uzr!daveh@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Code/NoCode
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu
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swamik@orca.NoSubdomain.NoDomain (Swami Kumaresan) writes:

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> > Having an elmer might have been nice, but I didn't give up in the
> > absence of one because I wanted my license badly enough.
>
> That's the kind of effort that one should put into getting an
> amateur radio license. That's what separates hr and CB. I think
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> the codeless tech license should be temporary! If u don't want
> to put the effort into upgrading, T0000000000000 BAAAAAAAAAAD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Fortunately for Amateur Radio in the US the FCC has more compassion and common sense than some of us OFs do! How long are you guys going to bitch and moan because the FCC didn't do things the way you wanted? Is this constant carping going to accomplish anything besides consuming excessive bandwidth. Shesh, it is almost as depressing as the OFs on 75 meters discussing their varied medical problems. The new Technician Class is a fact of life that you will just have to learn to live with. If you don't like the fact that there is a license that doesn't require passing a morse code test, T0000000000000 BAAAAAAAAAAD!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Dave Hultberg KA3UZR | vogon1!compnect!frackit!ka3uzr!daveh@psuvax1.psu.edu
Fidonet: 1:270/101.28 | Assistant Scoutmaster, Troop 196, Keystone Area Council

Brotherhood Member Susquehannock Lodge 11 \\/ \\/ \\/ | ASTA

Date: Fri, 30 Jul 1993 18:24:43 GMT
From: pipex!bnr.co.uk!corpgate!nrtpa038!bnr.ca!harp@uunet.uu.net
Subject: CW Privileges
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

I guess for all I care you could give up the phone privileges reserved for EXTRA class. I don't know with out checking where it is.

What would happen if all phone privileges were open to no-code techs. I think there would be solid QRM and people who sound like Herbie from one end to the other. Yes another CB-Band.

I guess if you left the Extra Class license the CW privileges of the lower 25KHZ I wouldn't really mind. But then you would want that too wouldn't you.

* Danny Stone (WB4ETY) Bell-Northern Research *
* "A Professional Grouch" Research Triangle Park, NC *
* Alias "Mr. Pathos" *
* *
* Don't Blame Me - Blame the Testosterone... *
* My Damn Opinions Are My Own! *

Date: 30 Jul 93 18:02:00 GMT

From: concert!uvaarpa!pplace!pat.wilson@RUTGERS.EDU
Subject: Give a VE \$5.60, walk
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

-> > :>Bullshit.
->
-> Not to mention inappropriate in the company of a young woman.
->
-> Haven't talked to many young women lately, have you?
->
-> Rich

I can tell you haven't talked to any lately. Bullshit is MILD compared to what I have heard lately from the mouths of babes (not sexist babes, but babes).

NORDQ

Date: Sun, 01 Aug 93 06:23:08 CDT
From: pravda.sdsc.edu!news.cerf.net!usc!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!
jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: How do I identify in the USA with a reciprocal permit
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

manakkal@ecs.umass.edu writes:

> Hi All,
> I have a reciprocal permit to operate here in the USA, and I
> was wondering how I should identify on the band. Does it change with the
> location of the station? I am currently located in Amherst, Massachusetts.
> I would also like to meet any hams who are located nearby.
>
> 73's
> ---Venkat . VU3MSV.
>

I didn't know you required a reciprocal permit. On all the occasions I've operated in Canada, I just brought in a copy of my US license and signed with a "stroke VE6 or VE7" (depending on the province I was located at the time). This was the procedure according to DOC Kamloops.

--Robert

Date: Sat, 31 Jul 1993 17:14:27 GMT
From: dog.ee.lbl.gov!overload.lbl.gov!agate!howland.reston.ans.net!
newsserver.jvnc.net!newsserver.egr.uri.edu!orca!swamik@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Real CBers
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

Tony Pelliccio (system@garlic.sbs.com) writes:

1. The first part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and the role of the accounting system in providing reliable financial information.

2. The second part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and the role of the accounting system in providing reliable financial information.

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5. The fifth part of the document discusses the importance of maintaining accurate records of all transactions and the role of the accounting system in providing reliable financial information.

I know Tony. Thats why I wrote it in Morse. I wanted to see if he wud go to the trouble of decoding the msg, and then flame me or something.

73s de KB1AMB/AA

Date: 31 Jul 93 15:04:33
From: korie!male.EBay.Sun.COM!exodus.Eng.Sun.COM!appserv.Eng.Sun.COM!appserv!
rfm@ames.arpa
Subject: Real CBers
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

In article <RN7F8B1w165w@amanda.jpunix.com> robert@amanda.jpunix.com (robert) writes:

system@garlic.sbs.com (Tony Pelliccio) writes:

[illegible]

Once again, Tony, I think you have missed the point. CW is an aural mode,

Actually us code-frees have less trouble reading this stuff than you coders seem to, we just use our superior technical knowledge and pipe it through a shell script. Not that we generally bother reading anything from sbs anyway...

Rich

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Rich McAllister (rfm@eng.sun.com)

Date: Sun, 01 Aug 93 06:30:28 CDT
From: pravda.sdsc.edu!news.cerf.net!usc!elroy.jpl.nasa.gov!swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!
jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Real CBers
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

rcanders@nyx.cs.du.edu (Mr. Nice Guy) writes:

> Many fools can learn Morse but it takes about 4 yrs of collage to get
> the engineering degree.

If someone has willingly endured four years of college, then I would think that learning Morse would be a breeze.

"4 yrs of collage?" I would guess English requirements have been dropped from a BSEE.

> There are two classes of hams the Technicianas and the Clueless Coded

What are "Technicianas?" I guess I've never seen one of those. Are they the ones who have a Codeless Technician license in one hand and a BSEE in the other?

> >The problem with this is that you get people who came in under the
> >no-code license, then scream because they want HF access without any
> >additional effort. Hence, clueless. :)

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> No, we think that 13 wpm is harassment, set the morse at 5 wpm.
There are those who believe any effort to motivate them is harassment.
Rev. Rod, understand that this is a HOBBY, and no one is putting a gun to your head and FORCING you to upgrade. If you're happy with what you've got, then keep it and have fun. If not, then do the work required and upgrade. It's as simple as that.

Amateur radio has been around for well over 75 years, and I've never heard the amount of bitching as I have today about how everything is too difficult, or harassment, or the electronic technicians can't learn the code so we should drop it. I don't buy it.

--Robert

Date: Sat, 31 Jul 93 10:42:53 CDT
From: swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Technicians can use CW, was Re: Give a VE \$5.60, walk
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

ak842@cleveland.Freenet.Edu (Douglas Dever) writes:

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> In a previous article, perry@fc.hp.com (Perry Scott) says:
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> >Jim Garver (zardoz@ornews.intel.com) wrote:
> >: I can't see anything wrong with giving 10 meter CW privileges to those
> >: who haven't demonstrated their skill yet.
> >
> >An international treaty is what's wrong HF ops without verified CW
> >proficiency.
> >
> >Perry Scott
> >AA0ET
> >
>
> While I agree with this.. and I don't think no-codes should
> have HF... allow me to play Devil's Advocate:
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>
> And Gee, look how Japan followed that treaty..... and look what happened.
> Not a damned thing.

Typical. Look what happened with the skyrocketing trade deficit with Japan. Again, nothing.

By the way, no-code techs currently have all amateur privileges above 30 MHZ, which includes CW. Of course, some people have forgotten this minor point.

Also, does anyone even USE CW above 30 MHZ? Not I. Seems pointless to maintain it as a requirement for operation on those bands, doesn't it? But it also seems pointless for those who have not demonstrated Morse skill to have access to bands that are clearly international in nature.

Just my opinion, take it or leave it.

--Robert

Date: Sat, 31 Jul 93 10:38:54 CDT
From: swrinde!menudo.uh.edu!jpunix!unkaphaed!amanda!robert@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Written CW (Was: Re: Real CBers)
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

bly@btree.uucp (Roger Bly) writes:

> What? Your news reader doesn't have a "DECODE MORRIS" option. Better
> get the new rev. Will decode morris to ascii text or sound.
> -Roger

What IS "morris?" Sounds very akin to a CB Slanguage term.

--Robert

Date: Sun, 1 Aug 1993 12:17:41 GMT
From: swrinde!emory!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary@network.ucsd.edu
Subject: Written CW (Was: Re: Real CBers)
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In article <JN7J8B1w165w@amanda.jpunix.com> robert@amanda.jpunix.com (robert) writes:

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>What IS "morris?" Sounds very akin to a CB Slanguage term.

It's the CATerwauling sometimes heard near the lower band edge of some HF bands, usually just below the segment containing the Murray signals. It's called morris after the famous cat because it sounds like someone repeatedly pulling the tail of a cat.

Gary

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Gary Coffman KE4ZV | You make it, | gatech!wa4mei!ke4zv!gary
Destructive Testing Systems | we break it. | uunet!rsiatl!ke4zv!gary
534 Shannon Way | Guaranteed! | emory!kd4nc!ke4zv!gary

Lawrenceville, GA 30244

Date: 1 Aug 93 06:07:12 GMT
From: pacbell.com!amdahl!amdahl!ikluft@ames.arpa
To: ham-policy@ucsd.edu

References <1885@arrl.org>, <CB1GvG.A1H@goldmine.irony.com>,
<23fj5t\$b2n@news.bu.edu>t
Subject : Re: ARRL Internet connection - MX records

david@bu.edu (David Gagnon) writes:

>I have recently tried to reply to a post from someone at arrl.org and ended
>up getting the mail back as undeliverable. Using nslookup, the domain
>arrl.org does not appear to exist. [...]

Anyone who runs into this same problem should contact their e-mail admins
because this is an indication of an improperly configured mail subsystem.

arrl.org, like *many* registered domains, is not directly reachable from
the Internet. Your mailer needs to find the MX (mail exchanger) record in
the nameserver to find out who delivers mail to them.

By default, nslookup looks for an A record, so this is what you get:
[Note: the "server" info will be for the site you run nslookup on - this
example was run on amdahl.com.]

shell-prompt> nslookup
> arrl.org.
Server: amdahl.com
Address: 129.212.33.3

*** No address information is available for arrl.org.

That is correct - there is no A record for arrl.org because they are not
directly reachable from the Internet. There would only be an A record if a
nameserver on the Internet was offering an address for it. (That would still
not be a guarantee that you can reach it, hence A records are not a good
first choice for e-mail routing.)

The information you're looking for is an MX record:

shell-prompt> nslookup
> set type=mx
> arrl.org.
Server: amdahl.com

This reminds me of something I heard from one of the Field Day old-timers this year. Don't know if it's true, but he said the best field day call he ever heard (in Morse) was

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Supposedly N9NN/9 :-)

I don't know if this would be unique anymore... are there any NN9 calls?

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[]	[]	[] []	[] []	Kevin Sanders, KN6FQ	NCR Torrey Pines
[]	[]	[] []	[]	kevin.sanders@torreypinesca.ncr.com	(619) 597-3602
[] []	[] []	[] []		kevin%beacons@cyber.net	
[] []	[] []		[]		
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